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## PRESIDENT MAURSTAD PRESIDING

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the fifty-ninth day of the Ninety-Sixth Legislature, Second Session. Our chaplain this morning is Reverend Scott Evans of United Methodist Church of Christ in Wisner, Nebraska, which is in Senator Connealy's District. Reverend Evans.

REVEREND EVANS: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Reverend Evans. Members, if you will report to the Chamber and record your presence, we will begin today's business.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Are there any corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: (Read correction, Legislative Journal page 1701.) That's the only correction I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Just one item or two...four items, I guess, Mr. President. LRs 490-493 are ready for your signature. (Legislative Journal page 1701.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 490, LR 491, LR 492, LR 493. Mr. Clerk, first item on the agenda this morning, LR 367.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 367. (Read, Legislative Journal page 1299.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Lynch, would you like to open on the resolution?

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members, I don't offer resolutions like this very often, but this is a very